

## Town of Mansfield Proclamation Honoring Access Community Action Agency's 50th Anniversary

*Whereas*, the Access Community Action Agency was founded in 1965, shortly after U.S President Lyndon Johnson signed the Economic Opportunity Act of 1964; and

Whereas, the Access Community Action Agency selflessly serves Windham and Tolland county; and

*Whereas,* the mission of Access Community Action Agency is, "To create opportunities that empower people and communities to achieve and sustain economic stability;" and

*Whereas,* the enthusiastic staff members of the Access Community Action Agency work with children and adults to mentor, support and provide hope for their future; and

*Whereas*, the Access Community Action Agency empowers its dedicated volunteers, who generously donate their time and talent in service to the local community; and

*Whereas*, the Access Community Action Agency, for fifty years, has changed people's lives, embodied the spirit of hope, improved communities and helped make our region a better place to live; and

*Whereas*, the Access Community Action Agency continues to work toward a future that will be, as Martin Luther King envisioned, "an all-inclusive one in which poverty, hunger and homelessness will not be tolerated."

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED,** that I, Paul M. Shapiro, Mayor, on behalf of the Town Council and the residents of Mansfield issue this proclamation in honor of the Access Community Action Agency's 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have set my hand and caused the seal of the Town of Mansfield to be affixed on this  $14^{th}$  day of December in the year 2015.

Paul M. Shapiro, Mayor Town of Mansfield